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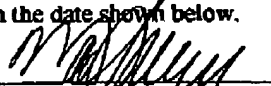
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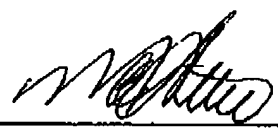
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- ☒ Statement of Claims from page 5 of the Appeal Brief to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences of the United States Patent and Trademark Office originally submitted on July 31, 2008.
- ☒ Transmittal Sheet
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STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-32, all of the claims in the Application, have been rejected. The basis of all the rejections in this Application are identified below:

- 1) Claims 1-32 are pending.
- 2) **Claims 1-32, all of the claims in the Application, are on Appeal.**
- 3) Claims 1-2, 6-17, 20-22, 24, 28 and 31-32 are rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as unpatentable over Miyamoto (US 2003/0199316) in view of Johnson (US Patent No. 6,267,248) and Sines et al. 2001/0000778).
- 4) Claims 3-5 and 18-19 are rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as unpatentable over Miyamoto (US 2003/0199316) in view of Johnson (US Patent No. 6,267,248) and Sines et al. 2001/0000778) when further considered with Takishima (US Patent No. 4,614,242).
- 5) Claims 23 is rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as unpatentable over Miyamoto (US 2003/0199316) in view of Johnson (US Patent No. 6,267,248) and Sines et al. 2001/0000778) when further considered with Huen (US Patent No. 5,240,140).
- 6) Claims 25-27 and 30 are rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as unpatentable over Miyamoto (US 2003/0199316) in view of Johnson (US Patent No. 6,267,248) and Sines et al. 2001/0000778) when further considered with Purton (US Patent No. 6,726,205).